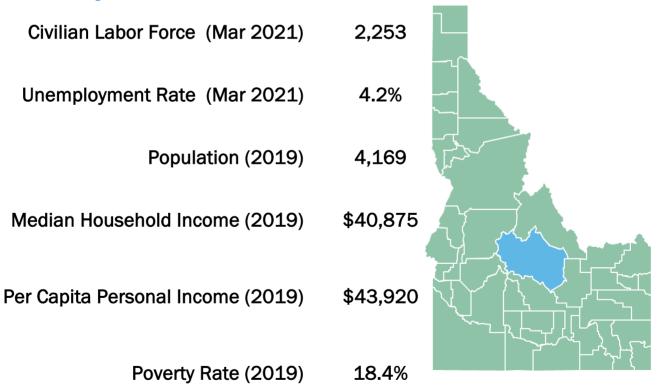


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Custer County Economic Overview



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1. County Demographic Characteristics, 2019

	Custer County	Custer County (%)	State of Idaho (%)	United States (%)
Total Population	4,169	100.0%	1,717,750	324,697,795
Race and Ethnicity				
White alone, not hispanic	3,719	89.2%	82.0%	60.7%
Black or African American alone, not hispanic	5	0.1%	0.7%	12.3%
Native American alone, not hispanic	42	1.0%	1.1%	0.7%
Asian alone, not hispanic	0	0.0%	1.3%	5.5%
Hispanic, or Latino (of any race)	175	4.2%	12.5%	18.0%
Gender				
Male	2,147	51.5%	50.1%	49.2%
Female	2,022	48.5%	49.9%	50.8%
Age				
Median age	53.0	-	40.3	38.1
Under 18 years	672	16.1%	25.7%	22.6%
Over 18 years	3,497	83.9%	74.3%	77.4%
21 years and over	3,361	80.6%	70.2%	73.3%
Over 65 years	1,368	32.8%	15.4%	15.6%
Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and	Over)			
Less than 9th grade	83	2.0%	2.2%	3.5%
High school graduate (with equivalencies)	913	21.9%	17.8%	18.3%
Some college, no degree	840	20.1%	16.9%	13.9%
Associate's degree	324	7.8%	6.4%	5.8%
Bachelor's degree	601	14.4%	12.1%	13.4%
Graduate or professional degree	178	4.3%	5.8%	8.4%
Median Household Income	\$40,875	-	\$56,605	\$62,843

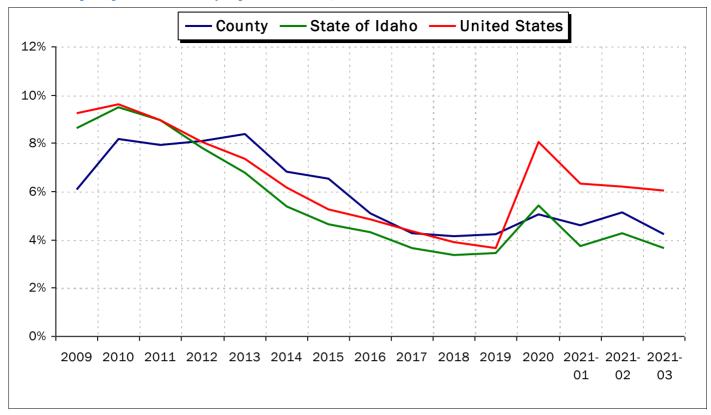
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2019 5-Year Estimates

2. Labor Force

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
March 2021	2,253	2,158	95	4.2%
March 2020	2,185	2,129	56	2.6%

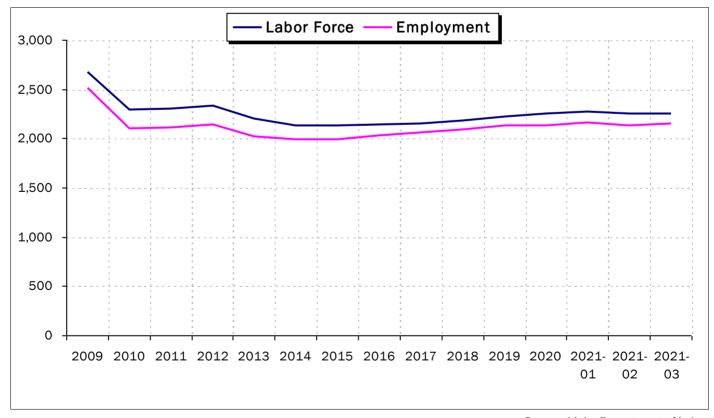
Source: Idaho Department of Labor

3. Seasonally-Adjusted Unemployment Rate, 2009 - Current



Source: Idaho Department of Labor

4. Seasonally-Adjusted Labor Force and Employment, 2009 - Current



Source: Idaho Department of Labor

5. Industry Employment and Wages - 2010, 2019 and 2020

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Supersector	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages
Total Covered Wages	1,655	\$35,155	1,497	\$32,751	1,471	\$34,232
Agriculture	35	\$22,480	47	\$26,517	55	\$27,064
Natural Resources and Mining	385	\$67,346	69	\$80,013	72	\$81,688
Construction	57	\$30,918	61	\$31,119	77	\$32,818
Manufacturing	0		19	\$38,740	21	\$31,333
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	259	\$23,213	278	\$29,334	266	\$33,802
Information	33	\$43,107	39	\$52,144	33	\$55,143
Financial Activities	49	\$19,010	27	\$27,008	16	\$27,219
Professional and Business Services	53	\$35,199	67	\$34,794	55	\$37,188
Education and Health Services	218	\$21,300	223	\$26,627	233	\$26,149
Leisure and Hospitality	267	\$13,440	372	\$21,431	364	\$24,769
Other Services	26	\$12,582	57	\$14,512	35	\$16,458
Government	273	\$39,974	238	\$48,907	244	\$46,142

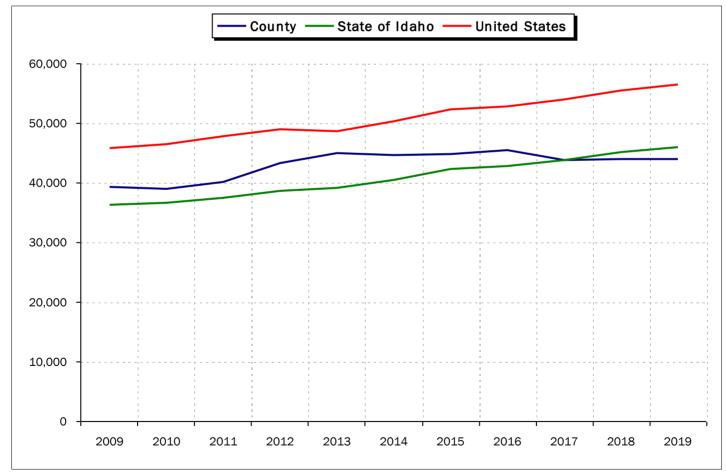
Source: Idaho Department of Labor

6. Top Employers, 2020

Employer	Ownership	Range
U.s. Forest Service	Federal Gov	100 - 249
Challis Joint School District	Local Gov	50 - 99
Thompson Creek Mining	Private	50 - 99
Custer County	Local Gov	50 - 99
Mackay Joint School District	Local Gov	10 - 49
Redfish Lake Lodge	Private	10 - 49
Sawtooth Summit Operations	Private	10 - 49
Ddl & J Inc	Private	10 - 49
Fish & Game Department	State Gov	10 - 49
Personal Home Care Llc	Private	10 - 49

NOTE: Only employers that have given the Department permission to release employment range data are listed. Source: Idaho Department of Labor

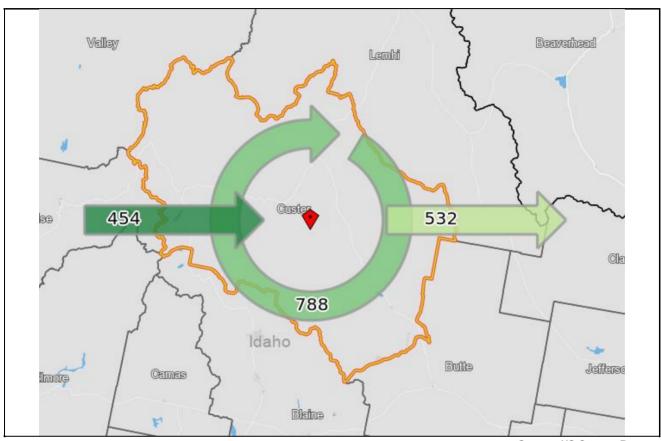
7. Real Per Capita Income, 2009 - 2019



Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

8. Labor Force Commuting Patterns, 2018

It is estimated that 788 workers lived and worked in Custer County in 2018. Another 454 workers were employed in Custer County but lived outside, while 532 workers commuted to other counties for work.



Source: US Census Bureau

9. Top 10 Cities Where People Who Work in Custer County Live, 2018

City of Residence	All Jobs	Percentage
Challis	214	17.2%
Mackay	82	6.6%
Twin Falls	24	1.9%
Idaho Falls	22	1.8%
Salmon	21	1.7%
Boise City	17	1.4%
Lost River	14	1.1%
Arco	11	0.9%
Nampa	9	0.7%
Pocatello	8	0.6%

Note: "All Jobs" includes private and public sector jobs. It also includes a count of workers with multiple jobs. Source: US Census Bureau

10. Top 10 Cities Where People Who Live in Custer County Work, 2018

City of Employment	All Jobs	Percentage
Challis	350	26.5%
Mackay	156	11.8%
Idaho Falls	118	8.9%
Boise City	56	4.2%
Stanley	44	3.3%
Arco	30	2.3%
Salmon	28	2.1%
Pocatello	27	2.0%
Meridian	20	1.5%
Twin Falls	17	1.3%

Note: "All Jobs" includes private and public sector jobs. It also includes a count of workers with multiple jobs. Source: US Census Bureau

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